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SUBJECT: BELGIAN EC PRESIDENCY AND CSCE

REF: A) BELGRADE 4720, B) BRUSSELS 7898

1. "NOT FULL COOPERATION" WAS THE TERMINOLOGY USED  
BY DE SCHOUTEETE IN HIS MEETING WITH US. WE HAVE GONE  
BACK INFORMALLY TO THE BELGIAN MFA PRESIDENCY OFFICE  
TO GET CLARIFICATION AND WERE TOLD BY WILLEMS THAT THE  
PHRASE REFERRED TO THE "UNDERSTANDABLE" ATTITUDE OF  
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THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER NON-EC NATO COUNTRIES TOWARDS  
THE QUESTION OF EC REPRESENTATION AT THE BELGRADE  
PLENARY MEETING IN OCTOBER. WILLEMS CHARACTERIZED THAT  
ATTITUDE AS "PATIENCE" TOWARDS AN ISSUE THAT WAS NOT REALLY  
THEIR PROBLEM. HE SAID THAT SOME NEUTRAL AND NONALIGNED  
COUNTRIES SHOWED MARKED "IMPATIENCE" IN BELGRADE WITH  
THE NINE'S POSITION, AND CITED AUSTRIA AS A COUNTRY

ALWAYS COMPLAINING THAT THE NINE WERE "CAUSING A FUSS."

2. WILLEMS STRESSED THAT UNDER THE ROME TREATY,  
THE NINE WERE CERTAINLY COMPETENT TO BE REPRESENTED  
AT BELGRADE AS A COMMUNITY. HE CONFIRMED THAT THE  
POLITICAL DIRECTORS, AND PROBABLY THE FOREIGN MINISTERS,  
WOULD LOOK AT THIS ISSUE AGAIN AFTER THE PREPARATORY  
MEETING IS OVER AND "DECIDE HOW STUBBORN WE WILL BE."

3. COMMENT: EC REPRESENTATION IS, OF COURSE, A PROBLEM  
AMONG THE NINE AS MUCH AS IT IS BETWEEN THE NINE AND  
OTHER BELGRADE PARTICIPANTS. AND, SOME EC MEMBERS, MOST  
LIKELY INCLUDING THE BRITISH, ARE LESS ENTHUSIASTIC  
THAN OTHERS ABOUT PUSHING THE COMMUNITY PRESENCE ISSUE  
TO THE ULTIMATE. DE SCHOUTEETE'S COMMENT NO DOUBT BE-  
TRAYS THE WISH THAT THE U.S. WOULD THROW ITS WEIGHT  
BEHIND BELGIUM AND OTHER PROTAGONISTS OF A STRONG EC  
PRESENCE. CHAMBERS

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